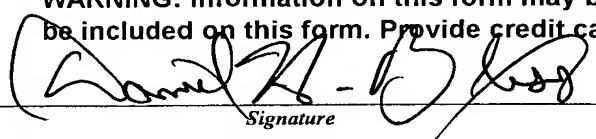



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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. 0290.00008	
Applicant(s): <b>Robert B. Blake</b>					
Application No. <b>10/788,573</b>	Filing Date <b>February 27, 2004</b>	Examiner <b>X. Nguyen</b>	Customer No. <b>010534</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3683</b>	Confirmation No. <b>9121</b>
Invention: <b>TRAILER HITCH COVER ASSEMBLY</b>					
<p><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27</p> <p>The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	9 -	20 =	0	x \$25.00	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2712</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></p>					
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